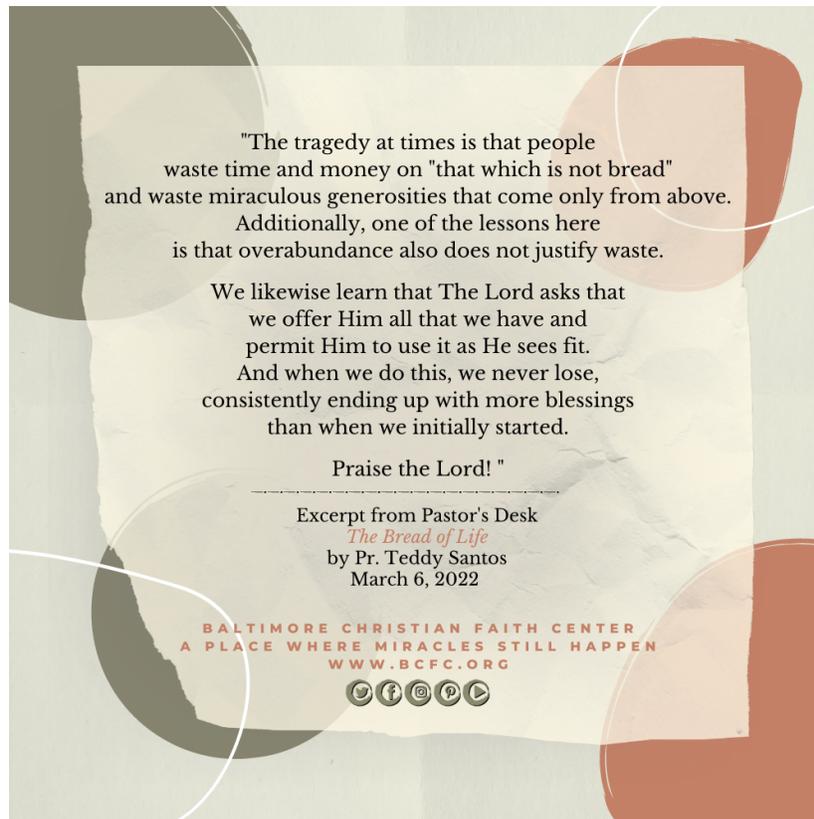


# The Bread of Life

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**John 6:10-14** *"(10) Then Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. (11) And Jesus took the loaves, and when He had given thanks He distributed them to the disciples, and the disciples to those sitting down; and likewise of the fish, as much as they wanted. (12) So when they were filled, He said to His disciples, "Gather up the fragments that remain, so that nothing is lost." (13) Therefore they gathered them up, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves which were left over by those who had eaten. (14) Then those men, when they had seen the sign that Jesus did, said, "This is truly the Prophet who is to come into the world."*

The following day, the Lord Jesus taught in the synagogue in Capernaum, declaring, "**I am the Bread of Life**" (John 6:32, 35, 48). Though wanting to receive material bread, many would not accept the living Bread - Jesus Christ, sent down from heaven. Thus, this miracle of feeding the multitude was, frankly, a sermon with visual effects.

The main lesson here is that Christ is the Bread of Life to dying humankind, and in Him, there is more than enough to satisfy the whole planet. Only He can fulfill the spiritual hunger in humanity. Our Lord says, "I am the living bread which came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever; and the bread that I shall give is My flesh, which I shall give for the life of the world. . . Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you have no life in you" (John 6:51, 53). The Bread, our Lord Jesus, gives life in the present and eternal life in the future, meaning after we leave this earth (John 6:27, 40).

The tragedy at times is that people waste time and money on "that which is not bread" and waste miraculous generousities that come only from above. Additionally, one of the lessons here is that overabundance also does not justify waste.

We likewise learn that The Lord asks that we offer Him all that we have and permit Him to use it as He sees fit. And when we do this, we never lose, consistently ending up with more blessings than when we initially started. Praise the Lord!

At His service,  
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